

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 9 with the following paragraph:

In addition to being segmented, staggered, and having a low-profile, the gripping surfaces 18 are preferably uni-directional. The gripping surfaces 18 are uni-directional in that the surfaces 18 provide a greater frictional force for movement in a radial direction than movement in a tangential direction along the disc 10. The orientation of the pattern forming the gripping surfaces 18 advantageously serve as a gripping surface for the thrower yet are not sized or shaped to retain foreign matter. An example of a preferred texture for the gripping surfaces 18 ~~formed of irregular surfaces~~ is shown in Figure 2. This pattern is provided by Plastic Products Unlimited, Inc. of Austell, Georgia and is texture no. 11375. As is evident from Figure 2, the texture is comprised of a number of segments that are staggered relative to each other and also are oriented in one general direction. It should be understood that the texture shown in Figure 2 is just one example and that various other textures or patterns may be used for the gripping surfaces 18.